In Re Application of

Applicant

M. Banatwala

Serial No.

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Method and System for Providing Synchronous Communication and Person Awareness

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John R. Brancolini

RECEIVED PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

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To

Commissioner of Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Technology Center 2100

Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of 7 April 2004 in the above-identified application.

(Large Entity)

The requested extension is as follows (blacken time period desired):

■ One month □ Two months □ Three months □ Four months □ Five months

The fee for the extension of time is \$ 110.00, and is to be paid as follows:

A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to IBM Corporation Deposit Account 12-2158. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to IBM Corporation Deposit Account 12-2158. A duplicate copy of

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Dated: 5 August 2004

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.8(a) I hereby certify that the enclosed or attached

correspondence and fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450. Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on 6 August 2004

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